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TAGS: CARC (SMUTS, SMITH AND HUNTER)

SUBJECT: KIDNAPPED AMERICANS: REQUEST FOR VOA COVERAGE

USIA FOR IBS

1. REQUEST VOA STRESS FOLLOWING COMMENTS FROM AMBASSADOR CARTERS' PRESS CONFERENCE OF MAY 26 ON KIDNAPPING IN UPCOMING FRMRCH, SWAHILI AND ENGLISH BROADCASTS: QTE QUESTION...THE PRESIDENT'S PRESS SECRETARY SAID THAT THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT FLATLY REJECTS ALL DEMANDS AND THAT THIS IS A FINAL STATEMENT, TANZANIA WILL NOT BE BLACKMAILED.HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THIS IN VIEW OF THE AMERICAN LIVES AT STAKE?

ANSWER...WE ARE NOT WITHOUT HOPE THAT A RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM CAN FREE THESE REMAINING THREE STUDENTS, AND I HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE WAYS IN WHICH THIS CAN BE DONE. I'M NOT AT LIBERTY TO GO INTO THOSE AT THIS TIME. I WILL SIMPLY SAY THAT WE ARE NOT WITHOUT HOPE AS
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TO HOW WE CAN RECOVER THESE THREE STUDENTS SAFELY...

WHILE THE STATEMENT DUEY (TANZANIANS) HAVE ISSUED MAY
SOUND TO YOU TO BE A HARSH AND UNYIELDING ONE, I HAVE
REASON TO BE HOPEFUL THAT SOMETHING CAN BE DONE TO SAVE
THE LIVES OF THESE THREE PEOPLE UNQTE.

2. DUTCH AMB SADOR REQUESTING DUTCH RADIO MAKE SIMILAR
STATEMENT ON ITS NEXT BROADCASTS TO AFRICA, AGEM FULL Q AND A OF AM
BASSADOR'S PRESS CONFERENCE OF MAY 26
BEING TRANSMITTED SEPTTEL.
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